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Upon review of the application file after allowance, it was discovered that formal drawings mentioned in the December 8, 1997 response are no longer in the file. Therefore, the Applicant is respectfully requested to provide replacement copies of those drawings so that the USPTO copy of the application is complete.

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